AERIAL MIND-CONTROL THE THREAT TO CIVIL LIBERTIES

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Commando Solo
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broadcast
subliminal radiofrequency messages
to manipulate the
minds of military
and civilian targets.

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USAF COMMANDO SOLO: AERIAL MIND-CONTROL BROADCASTS

he United States Air Force uses aerial mind-control broadcasts against civilian populations as well as enemy troops. Some of these actions against civilians are done with the intent of influencing public opinion and the outcome of elections. In a previous article, we examined mind-control technology, especially that utilising Silent SoundsTM, in which radio-frequency broadcasts carry subliminal patterns that entrain the listener's brainwaves into a preselected emotional state. According to ITV wire service reports, this technology was used during Operation *Desert Storm* in 1991, as part of US Psychological Operations (PsyOps) directed against Iraqi troops.^{1,2}

To the *Desert Storm* offensive we can now add several other incidents. Alex Horvat, editor of *The Probe*, calls to our attention the 1998 video, *Exotic Weapons of Mass Control*, produced by Bob Fletcher. "The excerpt played on Fletcher's video is from TLC [The Learning Channel] and clearly states that Commando Solo was used in Haiti for what was called Operation *Uphold Democracy*. As the general populace was violently opposed to Aristide and most in favor of his ouster, it took nearly a year of this clandestine counter-programming to get them to change their minds... Instead of butchering a population physically, we can now manipulate them mentally, virtually enslaving their thoughts with a criss-cross pattern of flights by an EC-130 (which is just a C-130 heavily laden with electronic hardware)."

We were not at war with the citizens of Haiti, yet the US Government directed military weapons against this friendly, or at least neutral, civilian population. The US Government sanctioned the "rigging" of the Haitian election by mental control of the people, programming them to cast their votes for the Americans' favoured candidate. And they had the nerve to call it "Operation *Uphold Democracy*". Some sense of humour! Stalin would have loved it. Hitler would have loved it. Why is the US Government doing this? Who is behind this flagrant violation of civil liberties? Is it the US Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), which has a long history of interfering in foreign government politics? Or has this become standard military procedure?

The rationale is always the same: "to make the world safe for democracy". Yet what is democracy if not freedom? Freedom to think your own thoughts; freedom to express your own opinions; freedom to vote for the candidate of your own choice.

Fletcher's video also mentions that the same technology was used against the Bosnia population for a week to influence their election. ⁴ This was probably done during Operation *Joint Guard* in 1995. ⁵

The questions arise: If they have used mind-control broadcasts against foreign civilian populations to influence elections, will they use them against American citizens—or have they already? What other countries may be the recipients of this innovative technology?

Just what is this EC-130E Commando Solo? The United States Air Force has helpfully published a Fact Sheet that describes the Lockheed-built aircraft. This 1995 bulletin states that the "unit flyaway cost" is more than US\$100 million each, and that there are eight in the inventory. Its primary function is "Psychological operations broadcasts". The crew consists of four officers (pilot, copilot, navigator, control chief/EWO) and seven enlisted members (flight engineer, loadmaster, five mission crew).

According to the Fact Sheet:

"Air Force Mission: Commando Solo conducts psychological operations and civil affairs broadcast missions in the standard AM, FM, HF, TV and military communications bands. Missions are flown at maximum altitudes possible to ensure optimum propagation

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patterns. The EC-130 flies during either day or night scenarios with equal success, and is air refuelable. A typical mission consists of a single-ship orbit which is offset from the desired target audience. The targets may be either military or civilian personnel.

"Secondary missions include command and control communications countermeasures (C3CM) and limited intelligence gathering.

"Air Force Features: Highly specialized modifications have been made to the latest version of the EC-130. Included in these modifications are enhanced navigation systems, self-protection equipment, and the capability of broadcasting color television on a multitude of worldwide standards throughout the TV VHF/UHF ranges...

"Air Force Background: Air National Guard EC-130 aircraft flown by the 193rd Special Operations Group were deployed to both Saudi Arabia and Turkey in support of Desert Storm. Their missions included broadcasts of 'Voice of the Gulf' and other programs intended to convince Iraqi soldiers to surrender.

"The EC-130 was originally modified using the mission electronic equipment from the EC-121, known at the time as the Coronet Solo. Soon after the 193rd SOG received its EC-130s, the unit participated in the rescue of US citizens in Operation Urgent Fury, acting as an airborne radio station informing those people on Grenada of the US military action.

"Volant Solo, as the mission is now known, was instrumental in the success of coordinated psychological operations in Operation Just Cause, again broadcasting continuously throughout the initial phases of the operation..."

Operation *Just Cause*? This is another propaganda name, applied to the US invasion of Panama to take out that country's leader, General Noriega, the CIA's erstwhile partner in drug smuggling. Apparently the General had made someone mad—how else to account for the massive invasion of this tiny tourist country? To wit: "A superpower whipped the poop out of 10 per cent of the police force of a Third World nation. You are supposed to be able to do that. It was done well, and I credit those who did it. But it is important that we draw the right lessons from it," according to an anonymous US Marine.⁷

Our Commander-in-Chief had another point of view: "...the roll call of glory, the roster of great American campaigns—Yorktown, Gettysburg, Normandy, and now Panama."

President George Bush, March 1990⁸

MILITARY PSYOPS AGAINST CIVILIANS

In a phone call to the USAF Special Operations Command Public Affairs Office, I questioned the legitimacy of using these subliminal broadcasts against civilian populations. I was told that it was all perfectly legal, having been approved by the US Congress(!). It may be okay by Congress, but I sincerely doubt that it would be approved by the recipient populations.

That conversation also elicited more information concerning the Commando Solo units. For instance, the Air National Guard of individual states in the US can also operate Commando Solo aircraft, should the Governor of a State request assistance. That means the PsyOps mind-control technology can be directed against US citizens.

The Commando Solo aircraft have participated in the following missions—possibly more, as the early missions of Volant Solo 1 were not known to the spokesperson:

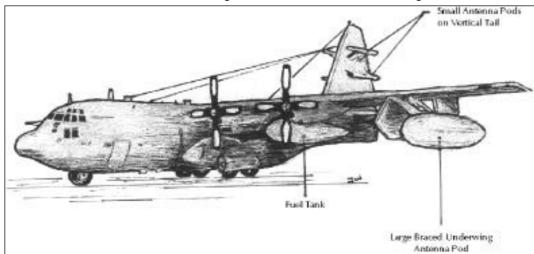
- Operation Urgent Fury (Grenada, Oct-Nov 1983, Jan-June 1985)
- Operation Just Cause (Panama, late December 1989)
- Operation Desert Shield (Kuwait, Iraq, from August 1990)
- Operation Desert Storm (Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Iraq, 1991)
- Operation Uphold Democracy (Haiti, 1994–1995)
- Operation *Joint Guard* (part of a UN operation in Bosnia-Herzegovina, 1995)
- Operation *Desert Thunder* (part of a UN operation in Iraq)
- Operation *Desert Fox* (Iraq, 2 to 3 days in December 1998)

Other countries are known to have a similar aircraft, but the PR officer declined to identify them, suggesting instead that I check out *Jane's Defence Weekly* for such information. Not having access to that particular publication, I searched through my copy of *Jane's Radar and Electronic Warfare Systems 1993–94.* The Commando Solo unit was not listed, but a browse through the book was informative as to the numerous types of electronic offence and defence systems available. These include stationary and mobile land units (many housed in large trucks), shipboard and airborne models as well as space-based technology. If the military is spending US\$100 million per airborne unit (times eight, we're talking US\$800 million here), I think it is safe to assume that they have tried out mind-control equipment with less expensive, roving land units (trucks), but use the airplanes to cover wider areas and hard-to-reach locations of the world.

And I might add, we can assume that they have tried out the

efficacy of this mindcontrol technology. Even the US military would not waste \$800 million on something unless it has been proven to work, and work effectively, even under the adverse situation of military combat. This is an important point.

The initial research into mind control in the USA was conducted under the auspices of the CIA. The flagrant abuse of human rights in experimenting on unsuspecting persons was based on the supposition that the veracity of the experiments would be compromised if a subject knew



The EC-130E Commando Solo is basically a C-130 *Hercules* transport aircraft which has been modified to carry electronic radio and television broadcast equipment. It can be easily identified by the large (6 x 23 ft/1.83 x 7 m) underwing antenna pods, located at the tips of the wings, and the smaller antenna pods on the vertical tail.²¹

that he was participating in an experiment. In the case of mind-control technology, this supposition may very well be true. But that does not justify its use—or so said the Nürnberg Code, the tenets of which were used as a legal basis to prosecute Nazi scientists for war crimes. However, the US seems to have excused its own military and scientific community from adhering to that Code.¹¹

MANIPULATING MIND AND BODY BY SATELLITE

The next logical step in mind control would be to incorporate this technology into satellite communications. Since other countries are known to have similar capabilities, there could occur a situation in which electronic mind-control warfare is waged against a civilian population, receiving conflicting mental manipulation from opposing sides. What would be the mental state of individuals so targeted? Would it cause a rise in mental aberrations and schizophrenia? And what are the limits of mind manipulations? Can people be forced to commit suicide? Can physical ailments or psychosomatic illnesses be induced?

A March 1990 report from Bosnia-Herzegovina in the former Yugoslavia suggests the latter may have already happened. The

report concerns 2,990 ethnic Albanians who were admitted to hospitals with complaints of lung and skin problems for which doctors could find no physical cause.¹²

It is not a far step from manipulating a person's emotional state to influencing bodily functions. Indeed, much of the literature documenting microwave effects on biological systems deals with precisely this phenomenon. In fact, studies of the physical effects of microwave exposure (including radio frequencies) generally preceded studies of mental effects.

A meeting sponsored by *Defense & Foreign Affairs* and The International Strategic Studies Association was held in Washington, DC, in 1983. High-level officials from many countries met for this conference. They discussed psychological strategies related to government and policymaking. A summary of the agenda reads: "The group will be discussing the essence of future policymaking, for it must be increasingly clear to all that the most effective tool of government and strategy is the mind... If it's any consolation to the weapons-oriented among defense policymakers, the new technologies of communications—satellites, television, radio, and mind-control beams—are 'systems' which are more tangible than the more philosophically based psychological strategies and operations.

"But we should make no mistake; it will be the 'psychologically based' systems which determine the world's fate in coming years: the condition of the minds of populations and leaders. And we should not ignore the fact that the USSR is working on electronic systems to 'beam' messages directly into the brain. What good, then, are conventional systems if these types of weapons are not countered? And, on a more basic level, what good is a weapon system if public opinion or political constraints prohibit its deployment?" ¹³

It is obvious that they found the answer to that last question. If the public does not know about a weapon system, it cannot prohibit its deployment. This is the situation that applies to mindcontrol technology.

MIND CONTROL AGAINST 'POTENTIAL' ENEMIES

The US military is aware that certain actions or procedures may not be acceptable to the American public. Metz and Kievit express these concerns in their paper, "The Revolution in Military Affairs and Conflict Short of War". 14 "The use of new technology may also run counter to basic American values. Information age—and, in particular, information warfare—technologies cause concerns about privacy... American values also make the use of directed energy weapons...morally difficult, perhaps unacceptable. The advantage of directed-energy weapons over conventional ones is deniability. Against whom is such deniability aimed? ...deniability must be aimed at the American people." Later they state: "We must decide whether innovative military capabilities are, in fact, acceptable and desirable. That can only happen through open debate. The military must be a vital participant, but not the sole one."

But there has been no open debate.

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On July 21, 1994, the US Department of Defense proposed that non-lethal weapons be used not only against declared enemies, but against anyone engaged in activities that the DoD opposed. That could include almost anybody and anything. Note that the

mind-control technology is classi-

fied under non-lethal weapons.¹⁵

A 1998 news item states that US Air Force General John Jumper "predicts that the military will have the tools to make potential enemies see, hear and believe things that do not exist" and that "The same idea was contained in a 15-volume study by the USAF Scientific Advisory Board, issued in 1996, on how to maintain US air and space superiority on the battlefields of the 21st century". 16, 17

It seems that, in military parlance, a "prediction" means: "Don't be surprised when you find out we've already got this, but it's classified and we can't admit to it just yet."

Notice that General Jumper predicts that mind-control technology will be used against *potential* enemies. The military and government agencies may apply this term to any group or individual they perceive as a threat to their own interests. Potential enemies may be counter-culture individuals, those of opposing political viewpoints, economic or financial competitors, biological undesirables, etc. It is part of the military agenda to identify potential threats so as to be prepared to meet them. Experience has shown that the US Government (the CIA and FBI, for example) has moved against these people or groups, slandering, harassing, even killing them, without adequate cause or legal sanction.

A weapon that can be used in secret lends itself to abuse by unethical individuals in positions of power. The military and secret services have shown themselves often to be lacking in ethical constraints. After all, the job of the military *is* war; it *is* killing people; and so, just how this is accomplished may be considered irrelevant. Lesser evils, like mind control, pale by comparison.

Of course, it can be argued that it is far more humane to brainwash a person via mind-control technology into accepting your ideas than it is to torture or kill them. Others vehemently deny this. They'd rather be dead than a mental slave to Big Brother! That is what revolutions are about. And if I recall correctly, that is the idea behind the US Bill of Rights.

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT WARNS OF DANGERS

Awareness of the existence of mind-control technology, and hence its dangers and possibility for misuse, seems to be more prevalent in Europe than in other areas. The European Parliament recently passed a "Resolution on environment, security and foreign policy". This document includes these articles:

- "23. Calls on the European Union to seek to have the new 'non-lethal' weapons technology and the development of new arms strategies also covered and regulated by international conventions...
- "27. Calls for an international convention introducing a global ban on all developments and deployments of weapons which might enable any form of manipulation of human beings."

The United States will ignore these resolutions, of course, as it has other EP requests; for example, as mentioned in the same document:

"24. Considers HAARP (High-frequency Active Auroral Research Project) by virtue of its far-reaching impact on the environment to be a global concern and calls for its legal, ecological and ethical implications to be examined by an international independent body before any further research and testing; regrets the repeated refusal of the United States Administration to send anyone in person to give evidence to the public hearing or any subsequent meeting held by its competent committee into the environmental and public risks connected with the HAARP programme currently being funded in Alaska..."

One of HAARP's potential uses is as a communications system. The military officially acknowledges two communications-related applications: (1) to replace the existing Extremely Low Frequency (ELF) submarine communications system now operating in Michigan and Wisconsin; (2) to provide a way to wipe out communications over an extremely large area, while keeping the military's own communications systems working.¹⁹

As we have seen, the mind-control subliminal messages are carried on radio-frequency broadcasts. The HAARP facility could be used to broadcast global mind-control messages, or such messages could simply be inserted into existing systems.

Dr Igor Smirnov, of the Institute of Psycho-correction in Moscow, says in regard to this technology: "It is easily conceivable that some Russian 'Satan', or let's say Iranian [or any other 'Satan'], as long as he owns the appropriate means and finances, can inject himself [intrude] into every conceivable computer network, into every conceivable radio or television broadcast, with relative technological ease, even without disconnecting cables. You can intercept the [radio] waves in the aether and then [subliminally] modulate every conceivable suggestion into it. If this transpires over a long enough time period, it accumulates in the heads of the people. And eventually they can be artifically manipulated with other additional measurements, to do that which this perpetrator wants [them to do]. This is why [such technology] is rightfully feared."²⁰

A WORLDWIDE MIND-CONTROL MISSION?

To return to the USAF Fact Sheet, it concludes: "In 1990 the EC-130 joined the newly formed Air Force Special Operations Command and has since been designated Commando Solo, with no change in mission. This one-of-a-kind aircraft is consistently improving its capabilities. The next few years should see continued enhancements to the EC-130 and its worldwide mission."

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